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SUBJECT: WAIVER OF FOREIGN RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT OF
ZABIHULLAH MOJADDIDY

1. INS HAS REQUESTED DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION ON
WAIVER OF TWO-YEAR FOREIGN RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT IN CASE OF
ZABIHULLAH MOJADDIDY. APPLICANT WAS PARTICIPANT IN
EXCHANGE VISITOR PROGRAM NO. G-5-198 SPONSORED BY EAST-
WEST CENTER (ENGINEERING AND STRUCTURAL DESIGN). HE CLAIMS
THAT HE WILL BE SUBJECT TO PERSECUTION IF HE RETURNS TO
AFGHANISTAN AND THAT HIS PARENTS AND FAMILY (NAMES NOT
GIVEN) HAVE BEEN GRANTED ASYLUM BY SAUDI ARABIAN GOVERN-
MENT.

2. AFAMEC DIRECTOR LARRY BECK UNFAMILIAR WITH MOJADDIDY
SINCE HIS PROGRAM BEGAN SEVERAL YEARS AGO. DEPARTMENT HAS
NOT RPT NOT SUBSTANTIATED SEVERAL PREVIOUS CLAIMS FOR
POLITICAL ASYLUM BY AFGHAN STUDENTS IN U.S. BUT IN CASE
OF MOJADDIDY FAMILY, WHICH REPORTEDLY HAS BEEN IN POLITICAL
ECLIPSE SINCE CURRENT REGIME CAME TO POWER, WE WOULD
PREFER TO HAVE EMBASSY'S BEST JUDGMENT AS TO WHETHER HE
WOULD BE LIKELY TO SUFFER PERSECUTION AS SET FORTH IN
SECTION 212 (E) OF IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT. IN
ASSESSING VALIDITY OF CLAIM, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO KNOW
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WHETHER MOJADDIDY'S FAMILY HAS IN FACT BEEN GRANTED

POLITICAL ASYLUM IN SAUDI ARABIA.

3. REQUEST EXPEDITE REPLY IN VIEW CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST
THIS CASE. KISSINGER

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